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2 authors	(Perana and Prochner 56) OR Perana and Prochner ... (56)	Mohite, Perana, and Larry Prochner. <i>Early Childhood Care and Education: Theory and Practice</i> . Concept, 2009. NB: Reverse the name of the first author only.
3 or more authors	(O’Mahoney et al. 42) OR O’Mahoney et al. ... (42)	O’Mahony, Gary R., et al. <i>The Power of Coaching for School Improvement: Nurturing Talent and Building Capacity</i> . Hawker Brownlow Education, 2009. NB: Reverse the order of the first author’s name, and follow it with ‘et al.’ Include a full stop after al.
Author and publisher are the same	<i>Managing New Zealand’s Climate: A Resource and a Hazard</i> ... (52). OR ... (<i>Managing</i> 52). NB: The text should always key to the list of Works Cited, so use the title in italics in text.	<i>Managing New Zealand’s Climate: A Resource and a Hazard</i> . National Institute of Atmospheric Research, 2004. NB: When the organisation is both the author and publisher of a work, list the name of the organisation only once as the publisher. No author is stated. Do not include <i>The</i> before the name of any organisation in the Works Cited list.

Chapter in an edited book	(Karp 294) OR Karp ... (294)	Karp, Jeffrey A. "How Voters Decide." <i>New Zealand Government & Politics</i> , 5th ed., edited by Raymond Miller, Oxford UP, 2010, pp. 287-301. NB: Include the page numbers of the chapter.
Electronic book	(Meadows 84) OR Meadows ... (84)	Meadows, Sara. <i>Understanding Child Development</i> . Routledge, 2013. <i>ProQuest Ebook Central</i> , ebookcentral-proquest-com.87654321. NB: Include the full URL for the database from which the book was retrieved.
Chapter in an edited electronic book	(Bottinger 9) OR Bottinger... (9)	Bottigheimer, Ruth B. "Europe's First Fairy Tales." <i>The Teller's Tale: Lives of the Classic Fairy Tale Writers</i> , edited by Sophie Raynard, State U of New York P, 2012, pp. 7-12. <i>ProQuest Ebook Central</i> , http://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/canterbury/detail.action?docID=3408644 .

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Print version	(Hollick 16) OR Hollick ... (16)	Hollick, Henry. "Learning Without Limits." <i>Child Education</i> , vol. 85, no. 3, 2008, pp. 15-16. NB: Only add the issue number if each issue of a volume begins on page 1. The first letter of each main word in both the article title and the journal title is capitalised.
Electronic version with DOI	(Todorova et al. 460) OR Todorova et al. ... (460)	Todorova, Gergana, et al. "Can Conflict be Energizing? A Study of Task Conflict, Positive Emotions, and Job Satisfaction." <i>Journal of Applied Psychology</i> , vol. 99, no. 3, May 2014, pp. 451-67. <i>EBSCOhost</i> , http://doi:10.1037/a0035134 . NB: Include the database in italics. Include the DOI number. This alphanumeric code usually appears on the first page of the article. If there is no DOI number, provide the full URL of the journal's website.

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Web page	(Hollmichel) OR Hollmichel ...	Hollmichel, Stephanie. "The Reading Brain: Differences between Digital and Print." <i>So Many Books</i> , 25 Apr. 2013, http://somanycbooksblog.com/2013/04/25/the-reading-brain-differences-between-digital-and-print/ . Accessed 21 Aug. 2019.

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Whenever you can, take material from the original source, not from a second-hand source. If you need to use indirect quotations or to paraphrase an indirect source, use "qtd. in" to indicate the source that you consulted.

In text: Jones claimed that runners who "drank regularly usually stopped running after a few months" (qtd. in Salazar 212).

Works Cited: Cite Salazar.

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